

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A recording medium, comprising:

a first storage region wherein program information describing a procedure for executing a process for establishing a connection to a predetermined server over a predetermined communication network and downloading data from the connected server, is stored; [[and]]

a second storage region into which the data can be written; and

a third storage region having an ID unique to said recording medium stored therein.

Claim 2 (Canceled).

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): A recording medium according to Claim [[2]] 1, wherein the ID is information which can be utilized by said server to manage accounting for the downloaded data.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): A recording medium according to Claim [[2]] 1, wherein the ID is information which can be utilized by said server to identify a type of the download data.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): A recording medium according to Claim [[2]] 1, wherein the ID is information which can be utilized by said server to identify a supply source of the download data.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): A downloading method, comprising:

a readout step of reading out program information, from a recording medium having a first storage region wherein the program information describes a procedure for executing a process for establishing a connection to a predetermined server over a predetermined communication network and downloading data from the connected server is stored, a second storage region into which the data can be written, and a third storage region having an ID unique to said recording medium stored therein;

an access step of accessing said server in accordance with the read out program information;

a download step of downloading required data from said server accessed in accordance with the read out program information; and

a storage control step of storing the data acquired by the downloading into said second storage area of said storage medium.

Claim 7 (New): A recording apparatus, comprising:

a readout unit configured to read out program information and a unique ID from a recording medium, wherein the program information describes a procedure for executing a process for establishing a connection to a predetermined server and downloading data from the server, the unique ID is information which can be utilized by the server to manage accounting for the downloaded data;

a memory configured to be able to store data; and

a controller configured to control to download required data from the server in accordance with the read out program information, and store the data acquired by the downloading with identification information indicating a relationship to the program information into the memory.

Claim 8 (New): A recording apparatus, comprising:

means for reading out program information and a unique ID from a recording medium, wherein the program information describes a procedure for executing a process for establishing a connection to a predetermined server and downloading data from the server, the unique ID is information which can be utilized by the server to manage accounting for the downloaded data;

means for storing data; and

means for controlling to download required data from the server in accordance with the read out program information, and store the data acquired by the downloading with identification information indicating a relationship to the program information into the memory.

Claim 9 (New): A recording method for a recording apparatus having a memory, comprising:

a readout step of reading out program information and a unique ID from a recording medium, wherein the program information describes a procedure for executing a process for establishing a connection to a predetermined server and downloading data from the server, the unique ID is information which can be utilized by the server to manage accounting for the downloaded data;

a downloading step of downloading required data from the server in accordance with the read out program information; and

a storage control step of storing the data acquired by the downloading with identification information indicating a relationship to the program information into the memory.

Claim 10 (New): A playback apparatus comprising:

a readout unit configured to read out program information and a unique ID from a recording medium, wherein the program information describes a procedure for executing a process for establishing a connection to a predetermined server and downloading data from the server, the unique ID is information which can be utilized by the server to manage accounting for the downloaded data;

a memory configured to store content data with identification information indicating a relationship to the program information; and

a controller configured to playback the content data based on the read out program information.

Claim 11 (New): A playback apparatus comprising:

means for reading out program information and a unique ID from a recording medium, wherein the program information describes a procedure for executing a process for establishing a connection to a predetermined server and downloading data from the server, the unique ID is information which can be utilized by the server to manage accounting for the downloaded data;

means for storing content data with identification information indicating a relationship to the program information; and

means for playback of the content data based on the read out program information.

Claim 12 (New): A playback method for a playback apparatus having a memory comprising:

a readout step of reading out program information and a unique ID from a recording medium, wherein the program information describes a procedure for executing a process for establishing a connection to a predetermined server and downloading data from the server, the unique ID is information which can be utilized by the server to manage accounting for the downloaded data; and

a playback step of playback content data with identification information indicating a relationship to the program information from the memory based on the read out program information.